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In re Patent Application of )  
Carole-Audrey KOCH-HOURRIEZ et al ) Group Art Unit: Unassigned  
Application No.: Unassigned ) Examiner: Unassigned  
Filed: September 20, 2000 )  
For: METHOD FOR SECURELY )  
MANAGING A UNITS COUNTER )  
AND SECURITY MODULE )  
IMPLEMENTING SAID METHOD )

PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Assistant Commissioner for Patents  
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

Prior to examination and the calculation of filing fees, kindly ~~amend~~ the above-identified application as follows:

IN THE SPECIFICATION:

Page 1, immediately following the title, insert the following:

--This disclosure is based upon, and claims priority from French Patent Application No. 98/03483, filed March 20, 1998, and International Application No. PCT/FR99/00292, filed February 10, 1999, the contents of which are incorporated herein by reference.

Background of the Invention--

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